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# SPROUL WINS FOR GOV= AND ROBBINS FOR CONGRESS EACH WITH GOOD MAJORITY

## SCHOOLS MAY OPEN IN NEXT TWO WEEKS

An effort will be made to open the public schools in two weeks or on the 18th inst., if at all possible. With the apparent decline of the influenza epidemic having been reached in two weeks after the closing of the schools, there is a strong and growing belief that they may open in another two weeks.

While every emergency need is being met with the High school hospital, the fact is pointed out by school people and those specially interested in the welfare of the 4,000 or more local school children running at large that at least eight months of school must be held during the year to make the school districts eligible to receive the state aid money of more than $12,000.

So if the schools remain closed longer than a month, the session would have to extend into the summer months to cover an eight month period, in which case the increased expense for teachers' salaries alone would be at least $2,500 per week, which would soon eat up the state appropriation again.

The Board of Health and the Board of Directors conducting the High school hospital for the Red Cross naturally are expected by the public to make every effort to shape up all affairs to transfer the emergency hospital to the Elks home on Seventh street long before the 18th inst., to permit of fumigation, cleaning and rehabilitating the High school. Likely more outside aid may be extended to homes as the epidemic continues to decline, providing the nurses can be retained for the Elks home and this purpose.

## GERRY HOME FROM HOSPITAL

Patsy Gerry, employed in the blooming mill of the Pittsburgh Steel mill, is back in Monessen after being a patient in the Mercy hospital three months. Patsy is improving and hopes to be back at work in a short time. He has been associated with the Pittsburgh Steel since 1902. When the mill was first started, he and his brother Steve Gerry acted as representatives for the company in furnishing men for the labor gangs. Steve has been dead about four years but will be remembered, and both boys had many friends in Monessen, who will be pleased to learn of Patsy's recovery.


**Overcoats For Men**

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**Overcoats For Boys**

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**Overcoats For Children**

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**MEYER'S**


## Day, Bungard and McGeary Carry the County. Monessen Kept Within the Republican Line.

The vote over the state yesterday was generally light, but for all that Wm.C.Sproul is elected governor over Bonniwell by a big lead. It is thought that the House will be Republican with hope of having a majority in the Senate.

In Westmoreland county Sproul leads by about 2,500, while Congressman E. E. Robbins for re-election had a clear lead of between 3,500 to 4,000.

Assembly Candidates Day, Bungard and McGeary are estimated to have won by 2,000 majority

E. E. Robbins carried Greensburg for a vote of 2 to 1, he having 1111, while McWherter's vote was 485.

Monessen did her bit by keeping within the lines in support of the entire Republican ticket.

| | 1st Ward 1 Prec. | 1 Prec. | 2nd Ward 1 Prec. | 2 Prec. | Third Ward Total |
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| Governor— | | | | | |
| Sproul, R | 71 | 91 | 150 | 89 | 92—493 |
| Bonniwell, D | 102 | 127 | 96 | 46 | 120—491 |
| Lieutenant Governor— | | | | | |
| E E. Beidelman, R. | 71 | 93 | 150 | 86 | 90—490 |
| J. Washington Logue, D. | 95 | 123 | 96 | 45 | 119—478 |
| Congress at Large— | | | | | |
| N. J Burke, R | 75 | 88 | 148 | 88 | 91—490 |
| T. S Crago, R | 78 | 88 | 117 | 86 | 88—487 |
| M. M. Garland, R. | 76 | 87 | 144 | 84 | 88—479 |
| A. H. Walters, R | 71 | 85 | 142 | 87 | 89—474 |
| J. G Gorman, D | 92 | 126 | 86 | 45 | 118—467 |
| F. Ikeler, D. | 90 | 122 | 87 | 45 | 119—463 |
| J. C. Strayer, D. | 90 | 123 | 88 | 91 | 117—509 |
| S. R Tarner, D. | 90 | 123 | 88 | 45 | 117—403 |
| Congress— | | | | | |
| E E. Robbins, R. | 90 | 100 | 163 | 99 | 93—545 |
| G. H. McWherter, D. | 91 | 122 | 92 | 43 | 119—467 |
| Assembly— | | | | | |
| B. F. Bungard, R | 79 | 88 | 153 | 94 | 93—507 |
| H. W. Day, R. | 75 | 85 | 149 | 86 | 91—486 |
| J. Grant McGeary, R. | 77 | 85 | 147 | 91 | 88—488 |
| H. F. Arnold, D | 95 | 130 | 91 | 44 | 120—480 |
| S. E Patterson, D. | 90 | 126 | 84 | 47 | 118—465 |
| D. R. Shepler, D. | 98 | 137 | 100 | 50 | 122—507 |

For Judge of the Supreme Court in the town, the following votes were polled—Edwin M. Abbott, 46; Joseph W. Bouton, 70; Henry Budd, 13; Augustus V. Dively, 5; Edward J. Fox, 43; John W. Kephart, 173; Joseph J. Kintner, 42; Charles B. Lenahan, 195; Alexander Simpson, Jr., 110.

For Judge of the Superior Court in the town Stephen H. Huselton received 135 votes, and William David Porter, 407.

The Good Roads amendment which was so much discussed carried all over the town, 421 voting for the amendment, with 109 against it.


NOTICE TO PUBLIC

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## SITUATION AT THE HOSPITAL

Today is expected to be the pinnacle in the influenza epidemic, being just one week since the highest point in cases was reported. This condition has been noted as a rule all over the country, and Monessen people are imbued with great hope that this town will not be an exception although deaths during the last 24 hours has numbered seven.

There are possibly six serious cases on hand now but as stated yesterday, the greater number of cases are well on the road to recovery. The hospital report today is as follows:

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| Total Cases admitted | 200 |
| Deaths | 39 |
| Dismissed | 38 |
| Patients today | 123 |


## FOR SALE

10 room house, with bath, cemented cellar, hot air furnace, slate roof, stone foundation and garage that will hold four cars. Located on Knox avenue ..... $6500.00

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## MAY ENLIST IN STUDENT ARMY TRAINING CORPS

New orders have been issued which will permit practically all men of draft age to try for enrollment in the Student Army Training Corps. According to advices which have reached the Military Service Department of the Pennsylvania Council of National Defense, trade, business or previous military experience can be accepted in place of high school graduation which previously had been necessary to enrollment in S. A. T. C. colleges. All of these institutions have been instructed by the War Department to receive applications and induct into the corps all men whose experience may, in the judgment of the proper authorities, qualify them as officer material.

The following statement with reference to the work of the corps was also issued from headquarters of the Third District, in the Law School, University of Pennsylvania, which has charge of all S. A. T. C. institutions in Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland and the District of Columbia:

"In arranging the work of the Students' Training Corps, the period between October 1, 1918 and July 1, 1919, will be divided into three terms of three months each. In the first term, academic work, including instruction and examinations, will end on the afternoon of Saturday, December 21. In the second term, academic work will begin on the morning of Monday, December 30, and will end on the afternoon of March 22, 1919 In the third term, academic work will begin on the morning of Monday, March 31, and end on the afternoon of Saturday, June 21, 1919."

## RUN DOWN AND KILLED BY TRUCK

Alta Frantz, aged about 22 years, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Frantz of Coal Center, was run down and killed by a truck of the National Mercantile company, in California, on Saturday night last. The young lady was walking along the street at the time between Vesta tipple and Union street, and had reached a point in front of a building known as the skating rink. Owing to the absence of a sidewalk it is the custom to walk on the paved street.

The truck responsible for the accident was on the way from Daisytown to California, bringing home employes of the company, and had stopped near the point where the accident happened to allow one of the men to alight. Immediately after starting the truck the accident happened, the young lady being run down and so badly crushed that she died in about an hour. Before she died she told the name of the driver as well as the owner of the truck. The truck driver maintains that he did not know that he had run over anyone, and kept on the way. The truck was not equipped with acteylene or electric lights, depending upon oil lamps for road illumination, which might account for the statement made by the driver that he saw no one in front of the machine at the time.

Coroner Heffran will make an investigation into the circumstances leading up to the accident.

# STATE HEALTH COMMISSIONER ROYER SPEAKS OUT ON SITUATION AT LANCASTER

## Disobeying of the Closing Order is Unwarranted and Illegal -- State Officials Orders Must be Obeyed

Dr. B. Franklin Royer, Acting Commissioner of Health, after consulting with the Attorney-General's Department, has issued a statement declaring that the action of Judge Landis of Lancaster in enjoining the Commissioner of Health and the railroads from maintaining a quarantine in Lancaster was an "unwarranted assumption of judicial authority, without legal effect," and one which the health commissioner and the railroads could properly disregard.

Dr. Royer stated that the order was nothing more or less than an effort to encourage the liquor dealers of Lancaster to violate the established law. The Health Commissioner warns that this action on the part of the Lancaster court must not be taken as a precedent by other municipalities which have threatened to disobey the closing order issued by the Department of Health. Dr. Royer stated that were it not for the fact that health conditions are improving to such an extent that the ban can be safely lifted in Lancaster on Tuesday he would request the governor to declare the city under martial law and enforce the physical closing of the few establishments operated by defiant saloon-keepers Dr. Royer's statement follows:

The Attorney General's department has advised me that the reported action of Judge Landis enjoining the Commissioner of Health and the railroads from maintaining a quarantine against the city of Lancaster, amounting in effect to a mandatory injunction to run the trains into Lancaster and accept passengers to and from that point, is an unwarranted assumption of judicial authority, without legal effect, and which both the railroads and myself might properly disregard, for the reason that the Court of Common Pleas of Dauphin County, is the only court having jurisdiction to enjoin the heads of state departments with reference to the promulgation and enforcement of their official orders, as it would be intolerable for such officials to be compelled to appear in different and widely separated countries of the Commonwealth and be subjected to different and possibly conflicting orders with reference to the same matter; and, in this particular case, for the further reason that the City Solicitor in preparing the bill, failed to comply with the Equity Rules of the Supreme Court by endorsing on, or having contained in, the Bill in Equity, any notice to the defendants to appear and answer It is the more irregular and unjustifiable because it was issued without notice or hearing, although the parties knew that the representatives of the Department of Health as well as of the Attorney General's department were in Lancaster at the time, and especially so, because it was granted with full knowledge of the fact that its legality could not be questioned or decided either in the court of Common Pleas of Lancaster county, or in an appellat court, because before such a hearing could be had the time for lifting the ban closing the saloons in the city of Lancaster (next Tuesday noon) would have expired and the question would have become a moot one not reviewable in the courts

Such action is in line with the reported previous conduct of the parties involved, which was tantamount to counsel and encouragement to the liquor dealers of Lancaster to violate the established law, an amazing thing to come from those whose special duty, as well as sworn obligation is to enforce the laws of the Commonwealth

Were it not for the fact that the health conditions in the city of Lancaster are improving to such an extent that the ban may be lifted on Tuesday, I would request the Governor to declare the city under martial law and enforce the physical closing of the few (15 out of 75) defiant saloonkeepers, a power which unquestionably exists

In view of the improved conditions, I have decided not to resort to this drastic course merely to enforce compliance with the law by closing the saloons for one day, and I leave

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A supervisor and two scout masters accompanied the party, which was composed of representatives of many states. Texas vied with Vermont as to which could pick the faster, and Rhode Island bet Illinois that the east could beat the west. Luncheon with hot coffee was served and the work stopped at 3 o'clock so that office duties on Monday might not be slighted by weavy clerks.

Six of the girls pledged themselves to give up their annual leaves, which they had planned to pass in their homes in distant cities, in order to assist in picking apples in Maryland.

"That's the spirit of the woman's land army," said Mrs. Ransome. "It is the spirit of self-sacrifice, as big and as enthusiastic as that of our men. These girls realize the importance of saving our crops, and they are glad to forego their vacation and use the time in a different sort of war work from that which keeps them in government offices"


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CITY EDITOR
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3rd Battalion, 110th Regiment, Hdqrs. Co., now "somewhere in France."

★ **DE ROY WOODFILL**
JOB DEPARTMENT
Enlisted March, 1918
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## WHERE WE ASK INDEMNITY

The cave man was too ignorant to think it up, and so he beat out his rival's brains with stone or club. The Tartars got an inkling of it,when they impaled their captives for hours of agony that death alone relieved. The heathen came within touch of it, when they broke their prisoner's limbs, joint by joint and pulled out their fingernails and tongues. The Romans in all their wars with barbarians of all sorts, never encountered it as a national or tribal method of warfare. The American savage, fond of torture and ingenious in prolonging it, did not resort to it.

It remained for kultured Germany of the twentieth century to introduce the destruction of the eyesight of men as a method of winning in war. Through the centuries of study, research, development and uplift, through the list of names of great Germans who contributed to progress in industry, arts and scienc, the focus burns upon this damned spot, this idea from hell, and from the shame, horror and brutality Germany may not recover.

Near Baltimore is the Roland Park hospital where the government is trying to "reconstruct" our blind soldiers, blinded by Hun war gas, and we're going to offer a radical suggestion. These blind boys must be utterly reclaimed and so those "reconstructing" him must first go to work on his mental readjustment. When you are between the ages of 21 and 30, a decided mental change takes place upon a German putting out your eyes.

Formerly you could go about as other men, independently without fear, conscious of your strength to look out for yourself Made sightless by a German, you must guide your feet with a cane; a little dog may be useful to lead you; you must tremble at noise of streetcar, auto or wagon; you may smell the fire you cannot locate; you must always depend on someone or something for even the common things; you must give up the flowers, the mountains, the green fields, the glistening rippling brooks; you must merely imagine all new faces, all new people, all newthings.

Formerly you looked into your young wife's eyes and saw a gleam from heaven that thrilled you. Or, you took your baby upon your knee to make it laugh, or to glow over its growth, the way its curls were beginning to twine about its neck, the struggles it made to say "Daddy," to realize that it's part of you and maybe will grow up just like you.

No more of that—forever! To crush and rule millions of men like you, the German has gassed you into blindness, everlasting blackness, an opaque curtain between you and all that you loved.

Wisely the governor of Roland Park hospital decided that such a change has an effect on the mind. Mental readjustment is necessary. Yesterday, to see wife or babe's beloved face; to be in and of the bright world. Today, to see nothing; to be in a world between life and death;

One of these blind soldiers of ours—OF OURS!—has been so mentally readjusted that he joyously sits down and pens a letter to his mother in wobbly characters, perhaps but legible. May God alone be with that mother when she reads it.

"You should see them at football, following the course of the ball by hearing. You should see how they carry on like joyful kids while doing it" writes one who has visited the hospital. No! We don't want to see that while there's a living Hun who has not felt all the punishment that's in the strong arm of America. We don't want to stand on the side lines and watch American boys blinded by Huns, follow the ball by hearing. We want to be in the trench lines removing Huns.

Well, the government is going to "reconstruct" these blind boys, so far as possible. It is going to teach them vocations to make them independent, so far as possible. It is finally going to turn them out into the world to get along as well as possible.

It is not enough! It is not enough for our blinded boys. It is not enough for the cowardly brutes who blinded them.

Whe we come to sit at the peace table, we should demand at least $10,000 indemnity for the benefit of every American victim of this hellish war practice of Germany. And now isn't too early to notify the ungodly Hun autocrats that such is our intention.

## EDITORIALETTES

Tell your troubles to Foch is now the order of the day.

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Mastery of retreat we concede to the Hun; but look at the practice he's had.

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"Tanks awfully" doesn't mean the same to the Huns that it means in the slums.

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The real test for patriotism is not "signing up" for a Liberty Bond—it's paying up.

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A noted clergyman says kissing is a relic of the dark ages. Anyway it is apt to take place in the dark.

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Packers and millers are biggest profiteers, says treasury report, which is how they are helping—the Huns!

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One of our leading naturalists has discovered evidence that the very knowing and wily critter: the 'possum, came from Germany.

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The man who forgets to vote is usually the same one who houls the loudest when public officials forget to protect his interest in every detail.

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Politics ain't what they used to be! Here's United States Senator Kenyon actually proposing a budget system to avoid waste of public funds!

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The more we hear about these futile atempts on the life of Lenine and Trotzky, the more we understand the deplorable results of failure to teach marksmanship.

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No Mr. Kaiser Bill, Uncle Sammy may look like a Reuben, but he has been to town once or twice and he knows those slick looking fellows who always walk up and inquire for the home folks.

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Speaking of Garfield's plea to walk downstairs and save fuel that extra elevator operation requires, a contemporary says "the use of legs is almost taboo in New York." We wonder if our contem has ever fathomed the reason for Gotham ladies' inclination toward "brevity" in skirts.


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## LOVE AND WAR

By AGNES G. BROGAN.

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Down the garden path, with glowing hollyhocks like sentinels on either side, Dulcie moved slowly. At the furthermost end of the garden she would find a small white house, and in the vine-covered porch of that house lived a merry old lady who was always her comforter. For Dulcie was, these days, in need of sustaining sympathy.

Her's had been a grave mistake, one which she feared might be beyond remedy It had seemed so difficult to learn the secret of her own perverse heart. Robert and Gordon both had loved her, "Bobbie" from the time of their school days, Gordon during these last few months when engineering business sent him out from the city.

Until Gordon came, Dulcie had been sure that her affection was Bob's alone; afterward she came to believe that Bob had merely grown necessary, like any other accustomed possession. But the problem had caused her little anxiety until Bob's time of departure to serve his country across the great water; then, as he plead with all the earnestness of his honest heart for her promise of love and loyalty, Dulcie had considered it her duty to confess to him her growing interest in Gordon, and for that reason to refuse the promise.

She had loved Bob always, she decided, as she walked on between the hollyhocks, and now it was too late to tell him so. She could even have no knowledge of his whereabouts.

Discouraged, bitterly disappointed in the girl of his heart. Bob would never let her hear from him; she was sure of that. And on the porch, in her soft gray dress, with the afternoon sun glinting her silvery hair, sat the little old lady who had lived and learned.

"I'm so glad to see you, dear," she greeted, "but not to see that shadow in your eyes, surely."

There was gentle malice in the old voice "The new lover proves all that one could wish?"

"There is no new lover," Dulcie burst out passionately; "there never has been any lover but Bob, only I was too stupid to know."

"It takes me back," she said, "to one troubled time in my own girlhood We were Southerners then, and our men were bidding us good-by and going off to war. I was a gay bit of a creature, a coquette, too, I fear, but that was much in the fashion of the time So two lovers of mine were rushing away, all aglow for victory—two lovers, my dear.

"There was one lover, tall and well favored; rich, too, in the things we counted dear—and the other, just a brave lad true and good. My own selfish heart inclined toward this humble lover, but—well, the other would be the more envied conquest as a husband you see, and so," the old lady sighed and smiled—"I accepted them both."

Dulcie's eyes widened incredulously, but her old friend continued. "The engagement must be kept a secret,' I told each one, and to each, gave one of a pair of bracelets, a cameo on the clasp, a sort of love token, my dear, a sort of 'faith' token from my faithless self. 'When the war is ended,' I thought, 'I shall know which man I really wish to marry.'

"Letters came occasionally as they could, from both in their different places; still, was I undecided. But always in the fanciful dreams of my future, stood a great house, the home which my fortune-favored suitor could provide. And all at once, one evening, as I sat dreaming of this great house and myself its mistress, came a message, a brief maddening message, from one of our rough hospitals of war: A soldier was being cared for there, said the message, he was wounded, perhaps fatally. Upon his person was no means of identification: in his pocket a bracelet alone had been found, a cameo-set bracelet, wrapped in a paper bearing the name and address to which this message was sent. Would I notify the man's friends of his condition?

"The man? My heart seemed to stand still at its own question—'Which man?'" it demanded, fiercely.

The old lady paused. Across all the years her eyes shone wistfully. "And I hoped," she went on, "Oh! I prayed, that this wounded soldier might not be the humble lad and true. Straightway, I went to see; miles were as nothing. I had to know, and perhaps to ask his forgiveness before it would be too late. So throughout that long journey I suffered the penalty of my deceit. And as I bent over the broken body of the lad I loved, I knew that nothing in the world thereafter could count with me, save the making of his happiness. The other? Yes, he lived through the war and married one of my friends. Thomas!" called the old lady suddenly, "Thomas!"

From an inner room came an old man, still military in his bearing, an empty coat sleeve hanging at his side. "Yes, dear," he answered, his tone was softly caressing

"Will you show to Dulcie the bracelet I gave you, and which you carried throughout the war?" his wife requested.

"I am going into the house, dear," she said to the girl, "to get a card which I received from Robert yesterday. His address is on it plain and clear, and when you write him tonight will you send with yours, an old lady's love?"

### Lives Saved by Steel Helmet.

The British soldier, happy-go-lucky as he is, has come to recognize the value of his steel helmet Most of us who have been in action in France have stories to tell of our own or other men's lives saved by "tin hats," "tin lids," or "battle bowlers" A brother officer of mine has worn for something like two years a steel helmet with a dent in it as big as a small potato—a souvenir of a small lump of shell which knocked him off his feet one afternoon in the Ypres salient. I have seen a helmet in the rim of which a machine gun bullet had cut a clean nick. The wearer of that helmet never knew he had been struck until he doffed his "tin hat."—London Times.

### Rat Bites Policeman.

Prohibition has its terrors. Witness Policeman Phillips of the war emergency squad, who went prowling about a house suspected of harboring a "blind pig," in search of booze. Phillips found a suspicious-looking opening in the wainscoting and put his hand in, feeling about for a bottle of contraband. Then he drew his hand out and emitted a yell that brought his brother officers to him. "Did you find any?" they asked. "I found one," replied Phillips, "and the d——n thing bit me. It was a rat."

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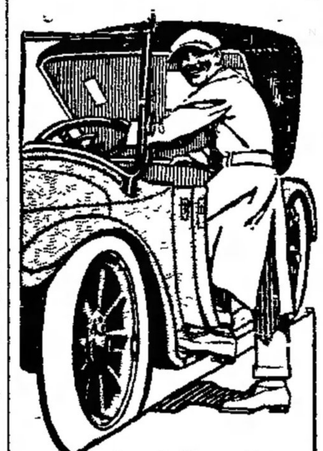

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## THE ANNUAL PICNIC

By JOSEPHINE MURPHY.

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At the time of the annual picnic given by Lovett & Neville to their employees it was expected that any incipient romances that the year had developed would be haled forth into the gay light of publicity. Not that the number was so very great, but it must be admitted that even the most distinguished floorwalker loses a certain charm—the charm, perhaps, of the proud and unapproachable—when you have taken notes on him for a twelvemonth across the counter.

Nevertheless, something was always to be hoped for at the annual picnic. A year ago it was confidently predicted that Kenneth Moore of the book department and Cynthia Gray of the ribbon counter were to afford the necessary love interests. There must have been an understanding between them, certainly; he hardly so much as said "Good morning" now to other girls; they had been seen together at theater and lunch. Oh, there were plenty of signs! The seal of finality was all that was lacking.

The long-expected day brought only confusion to these cherished hopes. Cynthia, who was looked upon as one of the most refined girls in the whole store, appeared unusually gay and reckless. First she was devoted to one man, then to another, with an imprudence that set friendly eyes wide with horror. Finally, when the picnic dinner was over, the party broke up for games, swan-boating and strolls in the woods. Cynthia flung herself at a certain Mr. Green, newly of the shoe department, and before the eyes of all they had gone together toward the lake.

"Well, wouldn't that frost you?" gasped Florence Small. "Is the girl crazy? The way she's treating Kenneth and he the most refined fellow in the store, too!"

They saw Kenneth alone, and sent one of the new men over to him with an invitation to come to the skating rink, but he only shook his head with a wan smile, and replied: "I have got sort of a headache; guess I'll just sit around a while. Perhaps I'll come down later." He did not have a headache; but he wanted to be alone, for his heart was sore. He had not expected Cynthia to treat him like this.

During the whole trip she had scarcely spoken a word to him. No one would ever have thought they knew each other. And it didn't seem like her either. He couldn't understand it. Why, only the last time he called on her they had sat together in her little "den," and had talked on quite a number of subjects. There was nothing sentimental about Cynthia, they had been just good pals together, that was what he liked best in a girl.

She sang well and loved poetry both of which he also was fond of. What had first attracted him to Miss Gray was the sight of her buried in a volume of poems. He had asked her what she was reading. She had glanced up at him with a smile he could never forget. "Lucile," she said.

Now, Kenneth had never read "Lucile," so he purchased a copy, which at this very moment was in his pocket. He had brought it thinking of how he and Cynthia—but what was the use of thinking. That was all it had come to. And he mused, as others mused before him.

In the distance he heard the gay strains of the band at the skating rink, and the sound disturbed him, so out of harmony was it with his mood. He thought of Mr. Green, perhaps even now paddling down the lake with the faithless Cynthia. But Cynthia had ruthlessly deserted Mr. Green when he went in quest of a boat, and strolled off by herself.

Kenneth arose from the bench on which he had been sitting and wandered up the path. Sitting down under a tree he opened his volume, "Lucile." He was glad even now that Cynthia was not beside him.

Afternoon sunlight began to peep through the trees. He got up and leaped to the summit of a fern-grown bowlder and, looking down the path, a chill of terror ran over him. Cynthia was walking toward him with downcast eyes, digging the toe of her little boot into the moss every now and then. All at once she stopped and with a cry snatched something. It was "Lucile." She pressed the volume to her lips. "It's his!" he heard her murmur—"Kenneth's." There were tears in her eyes. "Kenneth"—he heard her murmur again. He took a step forward. "Cynthia," he cried. "Cynthia, dear."

He forgot the steepness and height of the bowlder; he stepped into his balance, and in a moment was lying below. Cynthia ran to him, fell on her knees with a cry of distress.

"Oh! Kenneth are you hurt?"

He sat up and shook himself like an English sparrow after a bath.

"I suppose they are all laughing at me; but I don't care—I mean, not if you'll call me 'Kenneth' like that again."

Springing to his feet, he flung his arms about Cynthia and kissed her ardently several times.

"Cynthia!" he gasped. "I love you. You can't get away."

"I don't know as I want to," she retorted shyly. "I think we've been foolish enough for one day," she added; and after kissing her once more they walked down toward the skating rink.


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## ALMOST WILLING TO GIVE UP

**Mr. Gap Johnson Is Beginning to Fear He Never Will Really Understand Women.**

"Women is funny folks, 'most any way you take 'em," philosophically admitted Mr Gap Johnson of Rumpus Ridge. "The oldest man in America can't tell what a lady will do next, and if he could, she wouldn't do it. Day before yesterday while we was setting around the dinner table wife slapped a few of the children into shape and then sorter casually asked me if I knowed what day it was.

"'Why, Wednesday or Thursday I reckon,' says I. 'I hain't paid much attention lately, but it's somers along there.'

"'It is Tuesday, the 10th,' says she, kind o' sternly. 'Do you know what happened 15 years ago today?'

"'Hum, now! Lez see, says I. 'Oh, yes'—that was the day a tree fell on me and busted me up considerable. I forgot—'

"'No, it wasn't' she snapped. 'We were married 15 years ago today.'

"'Is that so?' says I. 'Well, I knowed something happened to me, but I sorter disrecollected what. Aw hum' I—

"And then I'll be switched if wife didn't rise up like a queen and sing mighty nigh every dish on the place at my head—dishes that cost me good money, too! The longer I live with women, the less I know about 'em!'"—Judge.

## ICELAND PROUD OF CULTURE

**Little Nation, Long Isolated From the Rest of the World, Has Maintained Its Spiritual Life.**

There are few nations that can point to a brighter record of culture than this little nation of one hundred thousand people (Iceland) practically isolated on their arctic island for nearly one thousand years. Why did they not revert to barbarism, as has been the fate of many white groups out of touch with outside civilization? There is but one answer: The Promethean flame which kindled the genius of the old now nameless monks—the sagn authors—has never died in Iceland. It could not die so long as the sagas lived, firing the spiritual life of the nation.

Each period of national prosperity since the sagas age has seen a revival of literary activity. Now Iceland is more prosperous in a material way than ever in its history, and behold there is a pen scratching in every cottage; there is a poet apostrophizing every waterfall, decorating the summer crop of poppies and daffodils, and charming, or at least trying to charm, the innumerable host of fays and light elves, trolls and water sprites and "landvaettir" which have endowed the bleak hills and mountains of Iceland with an immortal soul.—From the Dial.

**Fewer Works of Art Imported.**

According to a compilation by the National City bank, the value of art works imported in 1918 is about $11,000,000, as against $27,000,000 in 1917 and $33,000,000 in 1914.

In automobiles the value in 1918 was about $70,000, against nearly $25,000,000 in 1913 and more than $2,000,000 in 1912, while the average value per machine imported in 1918 was less than one-half that before the war. Decorated chinaware imported in 1918 was about $3,500,000 in value, against $8,000,000 in 1914. Almost the same ratio was shown in decreases of precious stones and jewel importations.

**Loose Soil Dries Rapidly.**

Soil heaped up around plants has a higher average temperature than the level ground, but it becomes colder in the night, as it dries out rapidly.

## Children's Bureau Investigates

That thousands of children in rural and small town communities are being deprived of a fair chance for normal development is the assertion of the Children's Bureau of the United States Department of Labor in a report just issued on conditions which tend to juvenile wrongdoing in the country.

One hundred and eighty-five New York state children who were implicated in some sort of wrongdoing and who came from 144 different families were carefully studied and their family surroundings were scanned in an effort to discover what had led them astray. Most of the children were of normal mentality, although about one-fourteenth were not noticeably deficient. But lack of opportunity for moral and mental training, for recreation, and lack of variety of interesting occupations with promising futures led these children of normal mental power into delinquency. All these conditions were found to be accentuated in the subnormal child who, in addition to the opportunities of a normal child, needs to be provided with some adequate means of a diagnosis and appropriate treatment.

The 21 New York states communities described show a type of social life that, as the report points out, can "unfortunately be matched in many places." Vivid, detailed descriptions show how the families and communities of these 185 little children failed to safeguard them from early temptations to wrongdoing which will doubtless lead, in many instances, to wasted, stunted lives. Although in nearly half the cases the child lived in its own home with its father and mother there was a lack of control on the part of the parents and a disregard on their part for the rights of others which must have contributed to the child's misdeeds.

The attempt is made to analyze the offenses of the children, which range from mere mischief of general waywardness to serious offenses against property and to sex delinquencies. The purposeless mischief often develops because the loneliness of the open country and the "deadness" of the little town "give the child a stupid denial to answer his search for sociability." Without wise leadership the youthful energy is all too likely to run the gamut of small mischief and then degenerate into serious misdeeds.

What were these 21 typical communities doing to save themselves from the moral and financial burden of caring for the misdemeanants their lack of foresight had produced? Prisons for criminals are admittedly an expensive way to safeguard the moral fabric of a community.

In searching for social factors which make for the child's sound development the investigators looked first to the district school with its honored tradition of useful service. The report shows how "painfully inadequate" the type educational and in the back country, with its isolation and short equipment, usually is to meet modern demands. The church, the report states, holds a real and valuable place in the social setting of the country, but it was found to be making most unequal use of its opportunity.

What is there to care for the child who has been called to account by the community for its offenses? The justices of the peace, under whose jurisdiction many of the children considered in the study came, were generally found to give but cursory attention to the children's needs, and to be ill informed as to how their cases should be handled. Local influence conditions in many instances to let cases whose sterner treatment would have been for the child's better interest. The report adds to the evidence which favors a separate court for the treatment of juvenile offenders. The impracticability of securing skilled probation officers and juvenile court judges, however, for each small community leads to the recommendation of a county juvenile court, and the extension of the powers of such courts where they now exist, in order that the court may reach the remotest corners of each county—that a "probation officer may be available in every inhabited section of rural as well as urban communities."

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## Soldier Boys Uniquely Decorated

The casual visitor to a crowded Y. M. C. A. hut just behind the fighting lines these days would have trouble telling a Yank from a Hun if he had to depend entirely on the decorations they wear. Big guns and ammunition dumps are not the only material things being collected by the American army as it smashes the Boche backward day by day.

Nearly every doughboys belt now contains a "Got Mit Uns" buckle and a German watch. Many of them have gas-proof watches shielded by metal cases. One had fourteen watches—"time to burn" as he expressed it.

Luger pistols are carried by some and still others peer into the distance through fine German field glasses and looking as much like generals as they can. The real prizes, though, are Iron Crosses. Every man wants to win the Iron Cross in the manner not arranged by the kaiser, and plenty of them are succeeding. It would be difficult to compile statistics as to the greatest number of such Iron Cross wearers ever crowded together most any one "Y" but at a single time. The figure would certainly be limited in some cases only by the capacity of the hut.

## Have Fight To Write To Girl

A fight between two soldiers, New York boys in Company E, Third Replacement Regiment, at Camp Gordan, to decide which should have the privilege of writing to a girl that neither of them knew was one of the pastimes in camp last week.

During the encampment, the Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. had arranged to have young women in Atlanta send little presents to some of the soldiers confined in barracks. A spirited argument sprang up between the two men as to which should write and thank the donor for a beautiful package they received. As words could not settle the question, the boys agreed to don the boxing gloves and decide it out for the honor. The bout took place as a feature during one of the regular Y. M. C. A. boxing entertainments and resulted in a draw, with the men agreeing to write, enclosing their letters in the same envelope.

**Hun's Malevolence Proved.**

Some of the hatred in which the German [illegible] has been proficient [illegible] described as [illegible] that Cardinal [illegible] of Reims [illegible] Mercier, [illegible] Heward Wilkinson [illegible] in the September [illegible] "As Seen From [illegible] Belgium," [illegible] "The Wonder [illegible] Germans [illegible] of the French [illegible] of the towers of the [illegible] were [illegible] purposes [illegible] concealed there [illegible] of the French [illegible] would come [illegible] all [illegible] from [illegible] military purposes. [illegible] the bombardments [illegible] immediately wrote a letter to the pope, in which I solemnly swore, on my honor as a man and as a prelate of the church, that never [illegible] abandoned my cathedral since the beginning of the war, and that never at any time has it been used for military purposes. All to no avail. The bombardment still continues and at regular intervals my old cathedral is battered piecemeal—and it breaks my heart."

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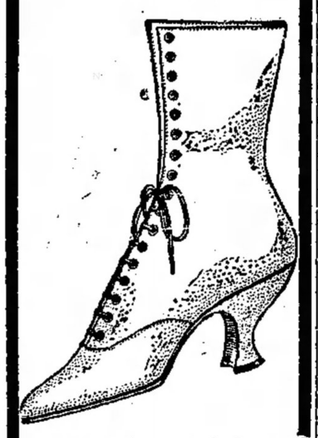

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Just a cheering clasp of a friendly hand,
Just a word from one who can understand;
And we finish the task we long had planned,
And we lose the doubt and fear we had—
So little it takes to make us glad.

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## State Health Commissioner Royer Speaks

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the responsibility for the violation of the law by these few defiant liquor men, with its attendant disrespect and contempt for law and authority, where it belongs, on the shoulders of those who counseled such violations as well as the municipal authorities who refused to aid the Department in the enforcement of its orders.

I hereby give warning, however, that this step must not be taken as a precedent by other municipalities, which following the example of the City of Lancaster, have threatened to disobey the regulations and orders of this department issued pursuant to law, but the health conditions of which have not improved to the same extent as now exists in Lancaster, and where conditions are such that the ban imposed by this Department cannot safely be lifted, the order will be enforced by every means at the control of the commonwealth.

The present scourge which is afflicting our people is the most virulent in the history of the Commonwealth. During the month of October, more than 32,000 of our Pennsylvania died from its effects, more than twice the number of American soldiers killed in battle in France, since the beginning of the war.

Our people have responded loyally to every appeal made by the government for the welfare and safety of our soldiers abroad. I appeal to the loyal and law abiding people of the Commonwealth to abide cheerfully by the laws enacted to protect the health and welfare of our people at home and suffer uncomplainingly for a short time the inconvenience and interference with ordinary business that is necessary to stamp out this plague from our midst.

B. Franklin Royer,
Acting Commissioner of Health.

## SOLDIER HAS SOME EXPERIENCE

Mr. and Mrs. John R. Hallam of Washington, Pa., have received several letters from their son, Corporal John Hallam, a member of Company H, One Hundred and Tenth regiment, now on the battle line "somewhere in France." They tell an interesting story of how the boys of Company H lead the old "Fighting Tenth" in every charge made by the regiment as the Americans go "over the top" after the Huns.

Corporal Hallam enlisted as a private in the One Hundred and Tenth after the command went to Camp Hancock, Ga., for training. He was just 18 at the time he returned with Lieutenant Dinsmore to Washington in October, 1917 for more recruits. He went to France with the regiment last spring and has taken part in every battle or skirmish in which his regiment has been engaged since then, up to the time when he was "gassed" a short time ago.

In the first letter which is dated September 12, the young soldier's birthday, he says: "I have lived years in a few weeks, grown much older in experience, passing through hell on earth and I make no mistake in calling it that. I am now back where we started the Hun on the march homeward, in the valley of the Marne. It was, and is yet, one of the most beautiful valleys in the world, but has been turned upside down by war. I will give you some impressions of what it is at present. Take the Ohio river and its valleys, tear all the towns up, blow up the bridges and wharves, cut down the orchards and telephone poles, take the railroads and tear them up, dig several thousand large holes, scatter clothes, rifles, ammunition and furniture everywhere; then dig a line of trenches on each side and finish by scattering barbed wire over everything. That would give you a fair imitation of the once beautiful valley of the Marne in France."

Young Hallem is a son of John Hallem of the Hallem Construction Co., of Washington, which did much of the first street work, paving etc., when the first effort was made to make Monessen a town out of briar patches, pasture fields and mud holes.

### HOSPITAL NOTICE

The Red Cross emergency hospital is now ready to supply a physician for a limited number of outside calls from influenza patients.

H. Dallas McCabe,
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Here's Another good reason—All prosperous Stores Advertise


## WOMEN IN NEW LINE OF WORK

Department stores are opening a new branch of employment to women. In many of the big shops in the large cities of the United States woman are taking the places of floorwalkers who have been called into army services.

Personality counts for so much in this line of work that special care is exercised in choosing the women. Most of those now taking the men's places have been promoted from other positions in the stores. Some of them have been heads of departments and others have acted as commercial travelers. It has been found so far that the women floorwalkers develop extreme alertness and efficiency. They are quick to grasp the needs of shoppers and have the tact to meet the usual problems that come up in the course of a busy day. As a rule the older women are chosen for these positions, which command good salaries.

## Boys Working Reserve Still In Demand

Washington has requested the Pennsylvania Council of National Defense to pass the word that there is still great need of the services of the U. S. Boys' Working Reserve. The civil populations of countries rescued from the Huns must be fed by America for sometime to come.

United States Food Administrator Hoover says we are pledged to deliver to the allies in Europe next year 17,000,000 tons of foodstuffs. This tremendous output is fifty percent graeter than our total food contribution during 1918. It means that there must be no slackening of effort on the part of the members of the Boys' Working Reserve, which accomplished such splendid work in the harvest fields thfis year.

## Victory Girls Is New War Organization

"Every girl pulling for Victory." This is the slogan of the Victory girls.

"Everybody is doing something to win the war but me," a fourteen year old girl said. "I'm left out. I can't buy Liberty bonds or go to France as nurse."

It is for the "left out" girl who wants to make a real sacrifice for the men at the front, that Victory Girls "Earn and Give" division of the United War Work campaign has been established.

Victory Girls is as much an army at home as the men in the service are an army wherever they are called. Like Victory Boys they are an "Earn and Give" division of the United War Work Campaign. When a girl enrolls she pledges herself to earn a stated sum for war work. This means that no girl or boy either, can give any money that she or he has not earned. The Department of Campaign Divisons in the National Organization, of which A. H. Whitford is director, has appointed Miss Gertrude Gogin, Girls' Work secretary of the National Y. W. C. A., secretary of the Girls' division of the Victory Girls. Both are werking in the campaign in which seven national organizations are co-operating, the Y. M. C. A., the Y. W. C. A., National Catholic War Council, Knights of Columbus, Jewish Welfare Board, American Liberty Association and and Salvation army.

To insure the greatest understanding and co-operation in the work done with Victory Girls and Victory Boys, a director has been appointed to act for the National Catholic War Council and representatives of Catholic Women have been appointed in various local committees.

### Had No Occasion to Say It.

A little girl was invited to a friend's house for dinner and before leaving her mother warned her to say "please," "thank you," and "no, thank you." When the little girl returned she was asked if she said please and thank you and she said yes. Then her mother asked: "Did you say no, thank you, when they passed something you didn't want?"

"No, mother, I didn't, because they didn't pass anything I didn't want."

## LOCAL NOTES

—After being confined to her home for ten days with influenza, Mrs. A. C. Reed is much improved and able to be about.

John Protzman, associated with the furniture department of the Kaufman store, has arrived here to help out at the undertaking rooms of G. F. Wright until the influenza epidemic subsides. Mr. Protzman was employed for Mr. Wright for a number of years.

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## Died

W. P. Lermann of 472 Reed avenue, died this morning at 6:30 at the home of diabetes, aged 58 years, he having been ailing for quite a long time. Deceased was one of Monessen's oldest and best known citizens, having been in the town since its beginning, being one of the first men to come here from Beaver Falls, with the Pittsburgh Steel company about 18 years ago, and served as night foreman at the rod mill for a number of years. Deceased was a member of St. Leonard's Catholic church, the C. M. B. A. and the B. P. O. Elks.

The wife and four children survive as follows: Capt. W. W. Lermann, of the U. S. Medical Corps, Washington, D. C., Miss Ruth, a student at Allegeheny College, Meadville, and John and Kathryn at home; also two sisters, Misses Kathryn and Theresa of Jersey City. Capt. Lermann arrived home yesterday from Washington.

Wiliam, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Gray of 212 McKee avenue, died at 6 o'clock last evening at the home of his wife's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Feimeth, of Thompson avenue, Donora, of influenza and pneumonia, after an illness of eight days. Deceased was 21 years old Oct. 26. He was employed in the engine rooms of the American Steel & Wire Co. Last Christmas eve he was united in marriage to Miss Marion Felmeth of Donora, and at the the time of death they were residing at the home of Mrs. Gray's parents. He was a member of the Monessen M. E. church and the Sunday school class of Walter S. Robbins, a young man of high ideals and sterling qualities and liked by everyone who knew him. The funeral will be held from the Gray home, 212 McKee avenue, possibly Friday.

Andy E. Menzler, aged 22 years, son of Mr. and Mrs. Andy Menzler of Wireton, died about 4 o'clock this morning at home. Deceased was in the naval service, having enlisted at Monessen last May and was commissioned on the battleship Minnesota. About six weeks ago he was sent home on account of being seriously afflicted with rheumatism, of which he died. He was one of Monessen's popular young men; he was a member of the Slovak R. C. church. He is survived by the parents, two brothers and one sister as follows: Stephen, a soldier in France; John, of the state police force at Pottsville, Pa., and Mrs. Anna Pollock of Monessen.

Barnett Rosin, son of Mr. and Mrs. I. Rosen of No. 7 Schoonmaker avenue, died at 7:45 this morning at the emergency hospital of influenza and pneumonia, in his 22nd year. Deceased was in business in Donora, being proprietor of "The Hub" shoe store, and was one of the best known young men in Monessen. Interment will be this evening in the Jewish cemetery.

Mike and George Drusick, aged 6 and 4, respectively of 1223 Morgan avenue, died last night at the emergency hospital of influenza and pneumonia. The sister Katie died Monday. These are children of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Drusick. The three bodies will be buried in one casket tomorrow.

Annie, wife of Peter Humenich, of 470 Sixth street, aged 25 years, died at the home yesterday of influenza and pneumonia. The husband and three children are left, the oldest being only five years old.

Steve Kohut of Schoonmaker avenue near the Victoria hotel, died yesterday at 5 p. m. in the Turner hall hospital of pneumonia and influenza, aged 44 years. A wife survives.

Maggie, wife of Joseph Pendras, of 88 Ontario street, died last evening at 6 o'clock, at home of influenza and penumonia. Deceased leaves the husband and eight children.

Dominick Alisiani, of 247 Chestnut street, died Saturday, Nov. 5, of influenza and pneumonia, aged 37 years. Deceased was a heater in the Tin mill.

Mike Skeick of Maple avenue and Fourteenth streets, died at 12:10 last night of influenza, aged 3 years.

## BODY OF DAVID KIBLER HAS ARRIVED

The remains of Cavalryman David Kibler arrived here on the 10 a. m. train this morning from Brownsville, Texas, accompanied by Corp. Bailey C. Newport of Troop E, 16 Cavalry as an escort.

The young man died Oct. 30 in a base hospital, he having been attached to Troop E, 13th Cavalry. He had been in the hospital 15 days, his first sickness being influenza, which developed into bronchial pneumonia. Deceased was 26 years of age and the son of Mr. and Mrs. David Kibler, deceased. He is survived by a sister, Miss Flora Kibler of 420 Knox avenue, and a brother, Walter of Monongahela.

David Kibler was one of Monessen's best known young men and had a large circle of friends. For four years he was employed as clerk in E. L. Hibb's grocery on Schoonmaker avenue, and Mr. Hibbs speaks of him in the highest terms.


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Walk up to room 1 to 3. Foreigners invited and bring interpreter. Remember Grand hotel, Monessen, Pa.


## TRAVEL ACCORDING TO MAP

### Airmen on Night Raids Have Course Thoroughly Mapped Out Before Beginning Their Journey.

Before leaving on a long-distance night raid the airmen prepare their maps with great care, marking on them the detailed course from the airdrome to their objective.

By means of a small balloon, whose speed direction and height is recorded by an instrument on the ground, the force and direction of the wind at different altitudes is discovered, and the compass course, allowing for wind-drift, is marked beside the course on the map. The compass course for the return journey is also marked. The speed of the machine is calculated, and on the line of the course a series of points is marked, showing where the machine should be every ten minutes, thus enabling the airman to check his progress and to know his approximate position if he gets lost.

He watches the country below for landmarks. He sees by his map that a river should appear in a few minutes. His watch shows that he has been flying 40 minutes, and near the 45-minute mark on his map is a twisted pale blue line. He looks ahead and sees in the moonlight a silver streak and he knows he is making good time. When he is over the river he compares its outline with his map, and sees that he is crossing it at the right place.

### Conscientious Objectors.

The most contemptible use to which an outward profession of religion can be put is a cloak to hide cowardice by shirking. A most appropriate use to which such men could be put would be to send them into No Man's Land to draw the enemy's fire, in order that real American soldiers might locate the guns' position.


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